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TREASURY FOR CUSTOMS WASHDC

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SUBJECT: NCAP TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR FY 76

EMBASSIES FOR DEA; STATE FOR EUR/EE, S/NM

REF: A) DEA 2851; B) SOFIA 1761, 1974; C) SOFIA 2036, 1974
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1. AT TIME NCAP WAS SUBMITTED, EMBASSY HOPED THAT RELATIONS WITH BULGARIAN AUTHORITIES WOULD DEVELOP SO THAT DEA IN-COUNTRY SCHOOL IN FY76 WOULD BE FEASIBLE. EMBASSY HAS PREVIOUSLY POINTED OUT AS EXEMPLIFIED IN REFTELS (B) - (D), ESPECIALLY REFTEL (B), PROBLEM IN INTRODUCING DEA TRAINING INTO COUNTRY. THERE IS NO BULGARIAN COUNTERPART FOR DEA WHICH MAKES MATTER OF FINDING BULGARIAN INSTITUTIONAL SPONSOR AS WELL ASSIGNMENT OF BULGARIAN OFFICIALS FOR TRAINING DELICATE AND COMPLEX. ON THIS BASIS EMBASSY JUDGES IT NOT PRACTICAL AT THIS POINT TO SCHEDULE DEA IN-COUNTRY TRAINING IN FY76.

2. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO EMBASSY IF DEA WOULD OUT-LINE TRAINING COURSE IT BELIEVES WOULD BE MOST USEFUL IN BULGARIA. WITH THIS IN HAND, EMBASSY WOULD BETTER BE ABLE TO APPROACH GOB ON SUBJECT. MUST BE KEPT IN MIND, HOWEVER, BULGARIAN CUSTOMS IS AT PRESENT ONLY GOB
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AGENCY ACTIVE IN NARCOTICS CONTROL. PROGRAM THEREFORE

WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BE TAILORED TO CAPABILITIES OF GOB
CUSTOMS BUT STILL SUBSTANTIALY DIFFERENT FROM VERY
SUCCESSFUL TRAINING US CUSTOMS HAS BEEN CONDUCTING SINCE
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